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# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# **International Trade Administration**

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Sugar from Mexico: Postponement of Preliminary Determination of Antidumping Duty Investigation

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# Background

On April 17, 2014, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated the antidumping duty (AD) investigation of sugar from Mexico. Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than September 4, 2014.

# Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(1) require the Department to issue the preliminary determination in an AD investigation no later than 140 days after the date on which the Department initiated the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Sugar from Mexico: Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigation, 79 FR 22795 (April 24, 2014).

investigation. However, section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act permits the Department to postpone

making the preliminary determination until no later than 190 days after the date on which it

initiated the investigation if the petitioner makes a timely request for an extension. In the instant

investigation, the American Sugar Coalition and its individual members (collectively,

Petitioners) made a timely request on August 11, 2014 that we postpone the preliminary AD

determination.<sup>2</sup>

The Department finds no compelling reason to deny the request. Therefore, pursuant to

section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act, the Department is hereby postponing the due date for the

preliminary AD determination to no later than 190 days after the day on which the investigation

was initiated. As a result of this postponement, the deadline for completion of the preliminary

determination is now October 24, 2014.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR

351.205(f)(1).

Dated: August 14, 2014.

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**Acting Assistant Secretary** 

for Enforcement and Compliance.

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<sup>2</sup> See Letter to the Department regarding "Sugar from Mexico: Petitioners' Request to Extend the Deadline for the

Preliminary Determination," dated August 11, 2014.

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